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Subject: Lake St at Rt 2 onto the TAC agenda?

hi Howard and Jeff - does TAC need Select Board direction to add a potential roadway improvement to the agenda?

Since working in Watertown in the past couple of months, my bike commute takes me along Lake St into Belmont (ditto for my wife during the school year). The route below Rt 2 in both directions is challenges but what is notable is how much dead space is availabe in the SB direction . It is frustrating that MassDOT did significant improvements here a few years ago and neglected to include improvements for bicyclists other than a pair of sharrows. With the new bike lanes on Lake St, cycling has increased along the roadway and there is plenty of space for a buffered bike lane in the SB direction rather than a 2/3-lane cross section. I am hoping that both the Town/TAC and EALS can push MassDOT simultaneously and have them restriped the short segment they recently worked on.

Let me know your thoughts.

thanks!

-Phil

